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May 26, 2010

In reply refer to:
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Mr. David M. Pound
Department of Transportation
4050 Taylor Street, M.S. 120
San Diego, CA 92110

Dear Mr. Pound:

**SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORT FOR ORDER NO. R9-2006-0063
DESCANSO MAINTENANCE STATION**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the January-December 2009 annual monitoring report submitted by Department of Transportation in accordance with Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2006-0063.

The following violations of Order No. R9-2006-0063 were identified in the submitted report:

1. The 12-month average Discharge Specifications B.3 for total dissolved solids (TDS), established at 450 milligrams per liter (mg/L), was exceeded on December 30, 2009 with a reported value of 545 mg/L.
2. The daily maximum Discharge Specifications B.3 for total nitrogen, established at 20 mg/L, was exceeded in June and December 2009 with reported values of 34.6 mg/L and 27.4 mg/L, respectively.
3. The 12-month average of Discharge Specifications B.3 for total nitrogen, established at 12 milligrams per liter (mg/L), was exceeded on December 30, 2009 with a reported value of 31.0 mg/L.
4. Information regarding sludge in the septic tanks was not submitted for January - December 2009 annual report. Please be informed that Section D (Maintenance and Inspection) of M&RP No. R9-2006-0063 requires you to monitor the septic tanks and report the results as described in the table of this section.

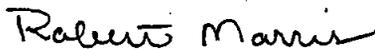
5. Information regarding disposal of sludge from the septic system was not included in the annual report. Please be informed that Section E (Sewage Solids and Biosolids) requires a summary of the type, quantity, location, and manner of disposal of solids removed in the course of sewage treatment to be submitted annually.

During a meeting held at the San Diego Water Board office on April 28, 2010, we discussed compliance options for the Descanso Maintenance Station. We look forward to receiving your report of waste discharge and working with you to achieve compliance.

The next monitoring report required to be submitted is the January-June 2010 semiannual report, which is due by August 1, 2010.

In the subject line of any response, please include the requested "In reply refer to:" information located in the heading of this letter. For questions pertaining to the subject matter, please contact Amanda Dai at (858) 627-3977 or adai@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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